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 Appellant: Hayao Watanabe et al.  
 Application No: 09/885,942  
 Hearing Room: A  
 Hearing Docket: B  
 Hearing Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2005  
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Hayao WATANABE, et al.

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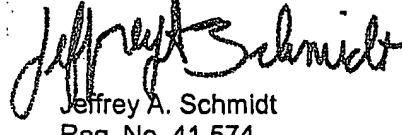
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